

NATIONAL RACE CONGRESS
READY FOR ACTION.

"Suffrage Session" Called for October 7th to be Held at the Hotel... Able Speakers of Three Continents Expected to be Present... Emergency Defense Fund Growing.

Special to The Express.

Washington, D. C., August 28, 1919. The official call for the fourth annual session of the National Race Congress of America, to be held in this city, October 7th, has been issued by the President, Rev. W. H. Jernagin, and is being widely circulated through the press of the country. This Congress is to be known as the "Suffrage Session," and the plans from every section of the land are getting ready to gather at the nation's capital to emphasize the importance of the ballot as a solvent for many of the ills that beset America's 12,000,000 Negro citizens. The call states the case with clearness and force and Dr. Jernagin and his co-workers are urging that large delegations be sent here from the various sections to consider ways and means for the betterment of the civic and economic status of our people. Able speakers will present the issues and the discussions will be broad and thorough, and the steps to be taken to crystallize thought into action will be prompt and vigorous. All phases of the intricate "race problem" will be treated.

Hon. F. M. Hercules, Secretary of the Society of the Peoples of Africa, with headquarters at London, England, has accepted an invitation to address the Congress, and Congressman Matthew Adams of Liberia, is also expected. Invitations have been extended to the Hon. C. D. Kins, president of the Republic of Liberia; Hon. Blaise Diagne, a member of the House of Deputies of the Republic of France, who has had charge of the Colonial Troops, who fought so valiantly for liberty and democracy throughout the world war; M. Diagne presided over the deliberations of the recent Pan-African Congress in Paris. The Abyssinian Government has promised, through its Envoy, to send a message of cheer.

Rev. A. C. Garner, pastor of Plymouth Congregational church, this city, has accepted the post of Field Agent for the Congress, and will travel extensively in the next few weeks to place before the country the plans and purposes of the Congress. He will be assisted by Rev. Daniel L. Reed, the well known lecturer and author; Rev. A. A. Graham of Phoenix, Va.; Rev. J. N. C. Cogins, and a number of others yet to be named. Local units of the Congress now in existence will be stimulated and many new ones will be instituted. It is regarded as especially important that units be established in every locality where Colored are found.

Prof. John R. Hawkins, executive secretary of the Emergency Defense Fund, under the auspices of the National Race Congress, is actively pushing the collection of the \$250,000 fund authorized by the organization for the general protection of Colored Americans, and a corresponding progress is being made. The Congress is also co-operating with the citizens of Washington in defending innocent Colored men who were arrested during the recent riot for no other reason than that they dared to protect their lives and their homes from the violence of the mob, when the authorities of the law failed to do so. Arrangements have been made by Prof. Hawkins with the Bar Association to provide every Colored man with able counsel and no worthy case will go undefended when brought before the courts. Contributions in behalf of this cause and for the \$250,000 general Defense Fund may be sent to Prof. Hawkins at 1541 14th Street northwest. Any sum, however small, will be welcomed and accounted for. Correspondence relative to the "Suffrage Session" of the National Race Congress, is invited by President Jernagin, who can be reached at 901 2d Street N. W., Washington, D. C. The forthright promise to make the very best of the series, and that much good will be accomplished for all the people by this frank exchange of opinion is already assured.

100-YEAR OLD WHISKY CAUSES
MOB SCENE; BOTTLE WAS
BROKEN.

New York, N. Y., Aug. 28.—It was an old brown bottle—100 years old, or thereabouts. It reposed in the cellar of the old Hamilton hotel in Hamilton, L. I., where George Washington is said to have stopped once overnight. No scholarly historian has as yet advanced the opinion that the bottle was the cause of the Revolution of '76, but take a look at the revolution it caused recently.

A wrecking crew was tearing down the landmark (the hotel not the bottle). In the cellar they found an old gun, a solid shot, and the brown bottle. Albert Voigt of the wrecking crew and an ex-hotel owner, owner of the famous fruit stuff, Albert immediately shouted that the crew had struck whisky, reared in the bottle 100 years old, and in a brown bottle. There were fifty men about him, but none dared take the contents.

In walked Cuthie Gardner, who is nothing more or less than a top and nothing more or less than a top 4 and of ample girth. Cuthie lifted the bottle—the 100-year-old bottle—and drank deeply.

"Whisky!" he ejaculated. Twenty men sent flying pairs of arms in the general direction of that old brown bottle. Cuthie snatched and clutched the bottle desperately. The twenty pairs of arms entangled, and uppers and just plain broadsides went whizzing among the thirty twenty. Cuthie's arms were pinned to his side. There were some more uppers. And there was some more. The old brown bottle—the 100-year-old bottle—fell with a crash to the floor.

WHITE MEN INDICTED FOR LYCHING
OF CHILTON JENNINGS,
GILMER, TEXAS.

A. B. Boyd and Tracey Manning, (white) who were implicated in the lynching of Chilton Jennings (Colored) July 24, at Gilmer, Texas, have been found guilty of murder and their cases transferred to Dallas for trial. Several others were indicted but their cases have been transferred to other counties. In his charge to the grand jury, Judge Warren of Gilmer made one of the strongest appeals ever made by a southern judge sitting upon the bench in defense law, order and justice.

POULTRY RAISING FOR PROFIT.

Hampton Farmers' Conference.

Hampton, Va., August 28.—Poultry Raising for Profit and Community Improvement was discussed and demonstrated by well-known experts at the recent, four-day, annual Farmers' Conference of the Agricultural School at Hampton Institute, Virginia. Colored farm-demonstration agents, now known as "county agents," industrial supervising teachers who work co-operatively with the Farmers Board and the States Relations Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and progressive farmers examined carefully the educational exhibit of poultry husbandry equipment, which had been prepared and arranged in the large school gymnasium, where most of the meetings and demonstrations were held, by Frederick S. Gammack, who has been in charge of the Hampton Poultry Division for the past five years and has been of inestimable help to the farmers of Virginia through his extension and breeding work.

Educational Exhibit.

Mr. Gammack explained in detail the uses and advantages of sanitary, inexpensive, easily-constructed poultry equipment, including a collapsible brooding coop, and egg-storage cabinet, feeding hoppers; open nests; water standard; automatic feeder and exerciser; combination, original-design broody-hen cooler and "fertilizer" crates; model of laying house; oat sprouter; cast-iron brooder; trap nests; egg crates and cartons; and other necessary accessories for successful poultry management.

J. L. Bluck, acting director of the Hampton Agricultural School and director of the Extension Department. In opening the Conference, stated that, instead of bringing to Hampton this year a great group of spectators, the School would depend upon a smaller group of community leaders—men and women county agents—to carry back to the masses some valuable working knowledge received from leading American poultry experts.

"Hampton," said Mr. Buck, "has secured the best talent that is to be had in the field of poultry husbandry for this Conference, which will aim to get many people able to participate in practical work." The Conference members did some actual work in culling flocks, in killing, plucking, drawing and dressing poultry both for home and market use, as well as studying the detail workings of the Hampton breeding plant, which is directed by Mr. Gammack, who has prepared for the Hampton Leaflet Series a free bulletin "Poultry Raising in the South."

Use of Artificial Light. "Artificial light during the fall and winter months makes hens and pullets lay more eggs. One flock of fifty hens and fifty pullets on a forty-eight weeks' try-out, at Cornell University, with illumination (both natural and artificial) from 6 a. m. to 9 p. m., gained over another similarly kept flock, except for the artificial lighting in the morning and at night in egg production 258 dozen eggs, representing a money gain of \$175.73. The cost of lighting was between five and six dollars, and the excess food consumption was very slight, since 85 per cent of the hen's food is used in body maintenance. The gains in egg production were made during the fall and winter months when eggs are high in price.

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THREE DALLAS BOYS WHO WERE
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Dr. B. E. Howell, Dr. A. H. Dyson, and T. A. Wren. In Appeal to the Boys Who Wish to Rise to Usefulness.

By N. W. Harlee. There is one law, the inexorable law of human progress that is written for every man, and that law is that he shall work from the bottom to the top. Many young persons wish to begin at the top. Not so. This is not the place. This notion is wrong. Nature has decreed otherwise. Work and wait, sweat and toil. If the oak of the forest were to become a full grown oak in a day, it would fall down of its own weight. It could not stand the least resistance. In order to be firmly rooted in the ground, the oak must needs be of slow growth, tested by the whirlwinds and raging storms of the century, and Nature's God has decreed the same inexorable law for man as he has decreed it for the oak. The greatest men rose against the tide of poverty, of squalor and want. The way lies open for the de-



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